

To: Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
From: (b) (6)  
Sent: Wed 8/28/2013 12:46:17 PM  
Subject: Are u in the office today ... would like to catch up at ur convenience ...

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To: Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
From: (b) (6)  
Sent: Thur 8/22/2013 7:29:03 PM  
Subject: So... any thoughts?

We appreciated the meeting. ...

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Larry Schafer

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To: Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
Cc: (b) (6) (b) (6) Anne  
Steckel (b) (6) Lindsay Fitzgerald (b) (6)  
From: (b) (6)  
Sent: Thur 8/22/2013 12:33:23 PM  
Subject: RE: Can we get a call in number for tomorrow's meeting

Thanks

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On Aug 22, 2013 6:59 AM, "Argyropoulos, Paul" <Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov> wrote:

We can use mine..... (b) (6) CODE (b) (6)

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From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2013 4:31 PM  
To: Argyropoulos, Paul  
Cc: Lindsay Fitzgerald; Anne Steckel  
Subject: Can we get a call in number for tomorrow's meeting

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**Attendees:**

Gene Gebolys – World Energy – Boston, MA

Gary Haer – REG – Ames IA

Jim Conway – Darling International – Louisville KY

Martin Beirne – Green Earth Fuels – Houston TX

Todd Ellis – Imperium Renewables – Grays Harbor, WA

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From: Larry Schafer  
Sent: Wed 8/21/2013 8:31:15 PM  
Subject: Can we get a call in number for tomorrow's meeting

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** Larry Schafer  
**Sent:** Tue 8/20/2013 4:58:17 AM  
**Subject:** Where would you like us to meet you at 10 am?

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** Larry Schafer  
**Sent:** Mon 8/19/2013 3:19:15 PM  
**Subject:** question ... do you mind if Lindsay joins us on Tuesday at 10?

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** Larry Schafer  
**Sent:** Mon 8/12/2013 3:29:48 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Two Meeting Requests from the NBB ... (Thank you)

Paul,

Welcome Back ...

I sincerely hope you had a good vacation.

We need to get together to schedule some meetings for next week.

I would like to bring a handful of members from NBB's RVO Working Group to meet with your team on either the 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> of August.

30 – 45 minutes ?

As a follow up to our last meeting ... we will have a complete analysis prepared for you on the 2014 RVO ...

Once that meeting is set ... then I will work with you and Karl on prepping for the meeting ...

Also ... I am meeting with John, Mary and Byron on Tuesday August 13 at 10 am to discuss QAP issues.

Again, welcome back ...

Thanks

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**From:** Argyropoulos, Paul [mailto:(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 02, 2013 4:18 PM  
**To:** Larry Schafer; Simon, Karl; Grundler, Christopher; Machiele, Paul; Bunker, Byron  
**Cc:** Manners, Mary; Anne Steckel  
**Subject:** RE: Two Meeting Requests from the NBB ... (Thank you)

Larry and Anne,

Thanks for your email.

We'll be happy to meet with you on both issues however we have to coordinate with a number of key people on this given current time constraints and availability due to (b) (6)  
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Also, Chris will be on travel next week and then out of the office for some time off and some additional business travel through much of August.

It might be best to coordinate directly with Byron and Mary on the QAP meeting given they are critical in those discussions.

Karl and I can work with you on a date to discuss the RVO however both Karl and I are out next week and while I'm back in the week of the 12<sup>th</sup> the 15<sup>th</sup> I believe Karl may be out all or much of that week. I'll look for a date the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August if that is possible for you and your team. Let's get back together on the 12<sup>th</sup> to see what we can work out for the RVO discussions.

Thanks, Paul

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From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]  
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2013 12:16 PM



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**Cc:** Manners, Mary; Anne Steckel  
**Subject:** Two Meeting Requests from the NBB ... (Thank you)

Chris, Karl, Paul and Team at EPA:

NBB is requesting two meetings with the EPA during the month of August to discuss the upcoming RVO issues and to discuss the pending QAP proposal.

**Meeting 1: Tuesday, August 5 or Wednesday August 6 (30 minutes)**

NBB Attendees: Anne Steckel and Larry Schafer

We would like to meet with: Chris, Karl, Paul, Paul and Byron.

Issues:

1. 2014 RVO Discussion

We expect EPA is working on the 2014 RVO Program, and yesterday (Aug. 1) Anne and I met with OMB, we would like an opportunity to update EPA on our view of the Biomass-based Diesel and Advanced Biofuels programs as soon as possible.

We have some new data points that we expect you will find useful.

2. QAP Discussion

We would like to highlight 2 or 3 issues that are most important to the biodiesel industry as you work to finalize the QAP rule.

**Meeting 2: Thursday, August 22 or Friday, August 23 (45 min)**

NBB Attendees: Anne Steckel

3 NBB Members from NBB 2014 RVO Working Group

Alan Weber – NBB Economist

John Kruse – NBB economic consultant from WAEES, LLC. – who is running the economic modeling for NBB

Larry Schafer

- We would like to meet with OTAQ team members to present in-depth economic and background data and anticipated impacts of the biodiesel sector from 2013 – 2018.

- We will discuss a proposed 2014 RVO range consistent with current year and future production

- Update from NBB Members on where things are at for 2013 and expectations for 2014.

Please let me know if we can schedule these meetings.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** if you get a minute ... please let me know ...

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**Sent:** Fri 8/2/2013 2:19:56 PM  
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Looking forward to it see you at 12:15. E&K

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**Subject:** RE: Lunch next week?

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Subject: Lunch next week?

Paul: Hope you are well. (b) (6). Do you have time for lunch next week. Thanks.

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** Brent Erickson  
**Sent:** Tue 7/30/2013 9:57:19 PM  
**Subject:** INEOS Bio Press Release (Embargoed Version) !!  
INEOS Bio Press Release First Ethanol Final Embargoed Version 7 31 13.pdf

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## **INEOS Bio Produces Cellulosic Ethanol At Commercial Scale**

**First facility in the world using new advanced bio energy technology  
to convert waste to renewable fuel and electricity**

**Vero Beach, Fla. – July 31, 2013 –** INEOS Bio today announced that its Indian River BioEnergy Center (Center) is now producing cellulosic ethanol at commercial scale. First ethanol shipments will be released in August. This is the first commercial-scale production in the world using INEOS Bio's breakthrough gasification and fermentation technology for conversion of biomass waste into bioethanol and renewable power.

"We are delighted with the progress made by our team at Vero Beach", said Peter Williams, CEO of INEOS Bio and Chairman of INEOS New Planet BioEnergy. "They have successfully addressed the challenges of moving a new technology to large production scale for the very first time. Consequently, we are now pleased to announce that we are producing commercial quantities of bioethanol from vegetative and wood waste, and at the same time exporting power to the local community – a world first. We expect to spend the remainder of 2013 putting the plant through its paces, and demonstrating full nameplate capacity."

Dr. Williams added, "All that we have seen so far validates the technical and economic viability of the technology. We remain convinced that the ability to divert waste materials from communities by converting them into competitively priced renewable fuel and power offers an excellent value proposition. It helps solve waste disposal issues, contributes to the supply of affordable and renewable fuel and energy, creates attractive jobs, and provides a sustainable source of value for the community. We look forward to taking the next steps in building a global business based on the broad deployment of this advanced technology."

The BioEnergy Center is a joint venture project between INEOS Bio and New Planet Energy. The facility has already converted several types of waste biomass material into bioethanol, including vegetative and yard waste, and citrus, oak, pine, and pallet wood waste. It will have an annual output of eight million gallons (24kta) of cellulosic ethanol and six megawatts (gross) of renewable power.

The Center is also permitted to utilize municipal solid waste (MSW), quantities of which will be used for bioethanol production at the Center during 2014.

The biofuels produced in Florida will anchor the new production of cellulosic ethanol under the U.S. Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS). INEOS Bio is working with other companies and cities globally to use this technology as a new direction for waste disposal and the production of advanced biofuels and renewable power.

The Center cost more than \$130 million and created more than 400 direct construction, engineering and manufacturing jobs during its development. The project sourced more than 90% of the equipment from U.S. manufacturers, creating or retaining jobs in more than 10 states. The Center has 65 full-time employees and provides \$4 million annually in payroll to the local community.

The Center will serve as a reference plant for future INEOS Bio facilities and for companies and cities interested in licensing the technology for similar facilities. As a major licensor of chemical process technology in the world, INEOS will leverage its extensive expertise to bring this technology forward as an exciting new alternative for sustainable waste disposal.

For more information on licensing the INEOS Bio technology, contact Mark Dietzen or Markus Hesse at [bioinfo@ineos.com](mailto:bioinfo@ineos.com) also at <http://www.ineosbio.com>.

## **ENDS**

Images of the Indian River BioEnergy Center and a detailed description of INEOS Bio's BioEnergy technology are available.

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### **Note to Editors**

INEOS Bio is a BioEnergy company producing advanced biofuels and renewable power from a wide range of low-cost carbon materials. The company's highly innovative technology provides an

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#### **INEOS Bio Bioenergy Technology**

The INEOS Bio Bioenergy process combines advanced bioethanol production, involving gasification, fermentation and distillation, with renewable power generation. The thermo-chemical gasification step provides feedstock flexibility, converting all types of biomass, including waste, into carbon monoxide and hydrogen gases. The bio-chemical fermentation step is a highly selective and high yield synthesis of cellulosic ethanol from these gases at low temperature and pressure. The heat recovered from the hot syngas is fed into a steam turbine and is used to generate renewable electricity. The continuous process is also rapid, measured in minutes. The INEOS Bio process technology is energy-efficient and environmentally safe. The technology has been fully developed and tested at integrated pilot scale for ten years on a broad range of waste feedstocks

**INEOS** (<http://www.ineos.com>) is one of the world's leading chemicals companies; a global manufacturer of petrochemicals, specialty chemicals and oil products. Comprising 15 businesses, the production network spans 51 manufacturing facilities in 11 countries. The company produces more than 60 million tonnes of petrochemicals. INEOS employs 15,000 people and had sales in 2012 of \$43bn. Through its Joint Venture with PetroChina (petroineos) it produces 20 million tons per annum of crude oil refined products (fuels). It also operates joint ventures with BASF, PQ Corp and Total.

**New Planet Energy** is a project development company engaged in the development and implementation of advanced biofuels and energy projects. For more information, visit [www.newplanetenergy.com](http://www.newplanetenergy.com).

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**From:** Larry Schafer  
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Yes sir ... Marriott?

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**To:** (b) (6)  
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Larry,

I proposed a new time (1:30) does that work?

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**Subject:** Invitation: Coffee with Paul @ Mon Jul 29, 2013 2pm - 2:30pm  
(b) (6)  
**When:** Monday, July 29, 2013 2:00 PM-2:30 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** tbd

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#### Coffee with Paul

When	Mon Jul 29, 2013 2pm – 2:30pm Eastern Time
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**From:** Larry Schafer  
**Sent:** Fri 7/26/2013 4:00:15 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Can we chat this afternoon?

Monday is fine ...

Thought you would be at home today ...

Enjoy the weekend ...

Are things okay?

Uff dah ...

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**From:** Argyropoulos, Paul [mailto:(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 26, 2013 11:55 AM  
**To:** Larry Schafer  
**Subject:** Re: Can we chat this afternoon?

Sorry. At home. Working mostly. Maybe later but likely Monday.

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**From:** (b) (6) <(b) (6)> on behalf of Larry  
Schafer <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 26, 2013 11:37:54 AM  
**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul  
**Subject:** Can we chat this afternoon?

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Larry Schafer

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Sent: Fri 7/26/2013 3:37:54 PM  
Subject: Can we chat this afternoon?

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** Larry Schafer  
**Sent:** Thur 7/25/2013 7:21:17 PM  
**Subject:** do you have a few minutes on Friday afternoon?

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Larry Schafer  
National Biodiesel Board  
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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** (b) (6)  
**Sent:** Thur 7/25/2013 5:37:54 PM  
**Subject:** Re: draft white paper response

Share with the team. This was given to OMB monday. Also small refiners met with white house and according to some where told relief was on the way.

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Sent using BlackBerry

**From:** Argyropoulos, Paul [mailto:(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 25, 2013 01:34 PM Eastern Standard Time  
**To:** McAdams, Michael J (b) (6)  
**Subject:** RE: draft white paper response

Still draft or sharable just with my team?

Paul Argyropoulos

Senior Policy Advisor

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**From:** (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 25, 2013 12:39 PM  
**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul  
**Subject:** FW: draft white paper response

Paul: Thought you might find this interesting.

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**Cc:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6); Weihrauch, John (b) (6); McKenna, Chris (b) (6)  
**From:** Blubaugh, Jim  
**Sent:** Thur 7/25/2013 12:19:35 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Hunt Refining Company

Hi LeAnn,

Thanks for your message. I also received a voicemail last night from Ambassador Jeanne Philips from Hunt Refining requesting a meeting. Please let her know that the relevant folks needed for this meeting are not available and that you'll be working with John to schedule the meeting between Hunt Refining and EPA at a later date.

Thanks,

Jim

**From:** Johnson Koch, LeAnn M. (Perkins Coie) [mailto:(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 24, 2013 6:46 PM  
**To:** Blubaugh, Jim  
**Cc:** Argyropoulos, Paul; Weihrauch, John; McKenna, Chris  
**Subject:** RE: Hunt Refining Company

Thanks Jim. I will work with John to schedule the meeting at a later time as soon as I get some dates from my client.

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**From:** Blubaugh, Jim [mailto:(b) (6)]



**Sent:** Wednesday, July 24, 2013 3:45 PM  
**To:** Johnson Koch, LeAnn M. (Perkins Coie)  
**Cc:** Argyropoulos, Paul; Weihrauch, John; McKenna, Chris  
**Subject:** RE: Hunt Refining Company

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**From:** Johnson Koch, LeAnn M. (Perkins Coie) [mailto:(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 24, 2013 1:43 PM  
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Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

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**From:** Johnson Koch, LeAnn M. (Perkins Coie)  
**Sent:** Wed 7/24/2013 10:45:53 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Hunt Refining Company

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**From:** Blubaugh, Jim  
**Sent:** Wed 7/24/2013 7:44:47 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Hunt Refining Company

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From: Jonathan Birdsong  
Sent: Fri 7/19/2013 9:21:12 PM  
Subject: Re: Meeting request re: SRF

Paul,

Entsorga will be in Washington on Wednesday, July 24.

If you have any time early that afternoon, it would be great to be able to sit down and talk about their proposal. Thank you very much!

Jonathan Birdsong  
BlueWater Strategies  
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Onto another issue in which I hope you can help me. I have a question re: solid refuse waste (SRF) and Sarah Bittleman recommended that I contact you.

One of Chemtex's companies is Entsorga. They specialize in converting SRF into non-toxic supplemental fuel. They have commercial facilities operating across the world and are interested in providing supplemental fuel for Essroc - a cement manufacturing plant in Martinsburg, WV. Entsorga has contracts with Essroc, the local waste facility and recently received approval of the facility from the Administrative Judge for West Virginia's Public Services Commission. In addition, the use of this supplemental fuel will not only significantly reduce the operating budget for Essroc and create jobs, but provide several environmental benefits re: reduced waste and lower emissions.

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I was hoping that I could set up a meeting with you and an Entsorga executive next week to see if there is anything else we can do/should be doing to move this along. Do you have any time Monday-Wednesday of next week: July 22, 23 or 24th?



Thank you very much for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Birdsong

**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
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**Cc:** Argyropoulos, Paul (b) (6)  
**From:** Jonathan Birdsong  
**Sent:** Thur 7/18/2013 4:18:52 PM  
**Subject:** Re: EPA's air office contact

Perfect - thanks!

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On Jul 18, 2013, at 12:18 PM, "Bittleman, Sarah" (b) (6) v> wrote:

Paul Argyropoulos is always a good place to start

**From:** Jonathan Birdsong [<mailto:jbirdsong@bwstrategies.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 18, 2013 10:55 AM  
**To:** Bittleman, Sarah  
**Subject:** EPA's air office contact

Sarah -

I have some questions for the EPA air office re: municipal solid waste. Who in that office would you recommend I contact?

Thanks,

Jonathan

